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Docket No. **5174**Serial No.  
**10/029,627**Filing Date  
**December 21, 2001**Examiner  
**Vy Q. Bui**Group Art Unit  
**3731**Invention: **SURGICAL OPERATION INSTRUMENT****TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:**

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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**RESPONSE**

Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated March 29, 2004, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the above-identified application in light of the following amendments and remarks:

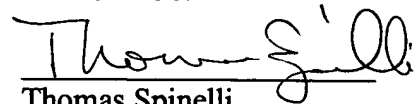
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